March 12, 2003

Honorable Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW - Portals II, TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket No. 96-45

Dear Secretary:

Forwarded herewith is a Petition for Reconsideration by the Maine Public Utilities Commission in the above docket with regard to the use of the Delphi Model to determine the costs used for calculating high cost Universal Service Support for non-rural carriers.

Should you have additional questions, you may contact Joel B. Shifman, the primary staff person in this docket, at (207) 287-1381.

Sincerely,

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